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Re: New U.S. Non-Provisional Utility Patent Application
Appl. No. *To be assigned*; Filed: June 25, 2003
For: **NOVELTY HAT**
Inventors: Patrick C. Jackanich, *et al.*
Our Ref: 05002.0002.NPUS00

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. Form PTO/SB/05Utility Patent Application Transmittal;
2. U.S. Utility Patent Application entitled:

Novelty Hat

and naming as inventors: Patrick C. Jackanich and
Michael S. VanDerhei

the application comprising:

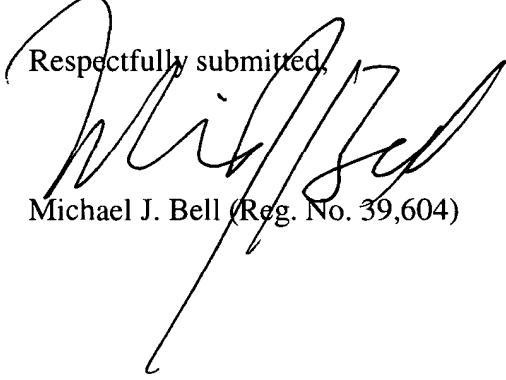
- a. A specification containing:
 - (i) 11 pages of description prior to the claims;
 - (ii) 2 pages of claims (13 claims);
 - (iii) a one (1)-page abstract;

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- b. 8 sheets of drawings: (Figures 1-9);
- 3. Form PTO/SB/35 Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i); and
- 4. Two (2) return postcards.

It is respectfully requested that, of the two attached postcards, one be stamped with the filing date of these documents and returned to our courier, and the other, prepaid postcard, be stamped with the filing date and unofficial application number and returned as soon as possible.

This patent application is being submitted under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) without Declaration and without filing fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures

**UTILITY
PATENT APPLICATION
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(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. 05002.0002.NPUS00

First Inventor JACKANICH

Title NOVELTY HAT

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. Specification [Total Pages 14]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the Invention
 - Cross References to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (*if filed*)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 8]
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 a. Newly executed (original or copy)
 b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))
(for a continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
 i. **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
 Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (*Appendix*)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (*if applicable, all necessary*)
 - a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
 - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - ii. paper
 - c. Statements verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATIONS PARTS

9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) Statement Power of Attorney (*when there is an assignee*)
11. English Translation Document (*if applicable*)
12. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS Citations
13. Preliminary Amendment
14. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (*Should be specifically itemized*)
15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (*if foreign priority is claimed*)
16. Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
17. Other: _____

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

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 Prior application information: Examiner _____ Group / Art Unit: _____

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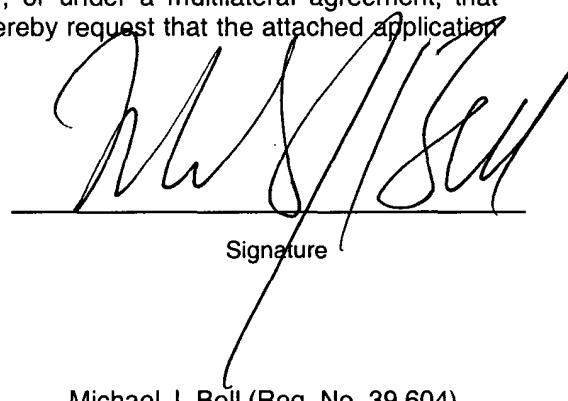
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Title	NOVELTY HAT	
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